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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
CARL SCHNURR)	Examiner: NYA
Application No.: 10/629,901)	Group Art Unit: NYA
Filed: July 30, 2003)	
For: CLAMPING DEVICE AND)	November 25, 2003
METHOD)	

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STATUS REQUEST

Sir:

Applicants would like to know the status of the
above-identified application.

FACTS

The above-identified application was filed in the
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 30, 2003 (see date
stamped postcard and Utility Patent Application Transmittal
attached). The application was filed without a Declaration.
Applicants should have received a Notice To File Missing
Parts of Non-Provisional Application shortly after the July
30, 2003 filing.

To date, the only thing received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the return postcard with the Appln. No. affixed thereto (copy attached).

Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the status of the above-identified application.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3507. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,


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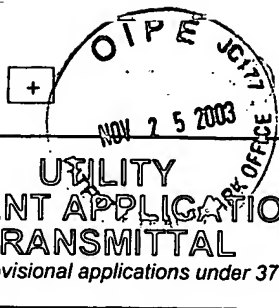
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification Total Pages
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- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
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- i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
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37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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(if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
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(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
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	TOTAL =				\$1,164.00

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED	
NAME	RICHARD P. BAUER, REG. NO. 31,588
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DATE	July 30, 2003